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1. The lignite mine at Valenje is composed of two pits:
 - a. The main pit, which is 140 meters deep, is lighted by electricity and is equipped with an electric elevator.
 - b. The secondary pit, called Jugojasek, is also lighted by electricity. In addition to the customary mining drills which are found in both pits, the second pit is equipped with two English automatic drills. Preparations are under way for digging a third pit, north of the two already in operation.
2. The prescribed norm is 50 tons per month, but because of the primitive equipment in use, this figure is never reached. Daily production is somewhat over one ton. The lignite is transported to the Valenje railroad station via the narrow-gauge mine railroad and is loaded at the station into standard-gauge freight cars. The greatest part of the lignite is transported to Jesenice and supplies almost all the thermal power stations in Slovenia.
3. The mine employs 1,400 workers, of whom 10 percent are office workers. No forced labor is used, the labor force consisting entirely of paid workers. The directors and supervisory officers are as follows:

Director

: Feliks Svetek, native of Velenje. An ordinary workers before the war, he holds his position by virtue of having been a Communist for many years.

Assistant Director

1 Dominik Klancic, Communist, seven
times a "shock worker". He was
previously chairman of the labor
union.

Personnel Director

: Alojz Novak, a mechanic by profession; born in Sostanj.

Chief Engineer, Pit No. 1

: Vladimir Porenta

Chief Engineer, Pit No. 2

: Jozse Pracek.

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